Chief Minister **(Sri. C. Kesavan):**

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) There are 2 temporary posts of Executive Engineers, 7 temporary posts of Sub-Division Officers and 34 temporary posts of Section Officers in the erstwhile Travancore P.W.D.

(*d*) That can be considered only when the posts are made permanent. Ordinarily they cannot get confirmation with retrospective effect.

(*e*) The criterion accepted for deciding relative seniority is date of commencement of continuous service in the same or similar class or cadre of posts.

RESIGNATION OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

***619.** [55] **Sri. N. P. Verghese:** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Education be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the Vice-Chancellor Mr. Nandan Menon resigned his post;

(*b*) if so, the reasons for his resignation;

(*c*) who is in-charge of the Vice-Chancellor's duties now?

Minister for Education, Civil Supplies and Labour **(Sri. T. K. Narayana Pillai):**

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Government have not been informed of the reasons.

(*c*) Sri. P. R. Parameswara Panikkar, Registrar.

EDUCATION

***620.** [56] **Sri. P. K. Krishnankutty Menon:** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Education be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the Government have drawn up a scheme for the spread of basic education in the State and if so what amount has been allotted for the same for the year 1951-1952;

(*b*) whether the Government will be prepared to train more teachers in the existing centres in the next April and May;

(*c*) the number of teachers trained for imparting basic education and how they are going to be utilised; and

(*d*) whether the Government intends to give better salary to the teachers trained in basic education?

Minister for Education, Civil Supplies and Labour **(Sri. T. K. Narayana Pillai):**

(*a*) The question is under the consideration of the Government.

(*b*) No. There is no scheme for training for 2 months. At present a course for 90 working days has been adopted for the Basic Training School, Cherpu.

(*c*) 57 teachers are being trained. Their services are proposed to be utilised when Basic Schools are opened.

(*d*) Government will consider this.

BASIC EDUCATION

***621.** [57] **Sri. P. K. Krishnankutty Menon:** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Education be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of centres in this State where training in basic education is given and whether they are all sponsored by Government or by private agencies; and

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